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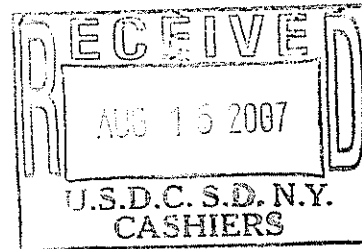
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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MERIDIAN BULK CARRIERS, LTD.,

RULE 7.1 STATEMENT

Plaintiff,

-against-

ES CHARTERING LIMITED,

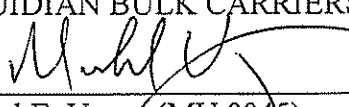
Defendants.  
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MERIDIAN BULK CARRIERS, LTD., by and through its undersigned attorneys Freehill Hogan & Mahar, LLP, and pursuant to Rule 7.1 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, certifies that it is a private (non-governmental) party, has no corporate parents, and that no publicly-held corporation in the United States owns 10% or more of the stock of the company.

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